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Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30pm on Thursday 25th April 2024

Present: Mr S Oversby-Powell (Chairman), Mr A Burton, Mrs M Dormer, Mr R Gill, Mr A Podmore and Mrs J White

In Attendance: Miss Noemi Ripert (Communications & Admin Officer)

Public Question Time: None present

PL185 To receive apologies for absence.

Cllrs King and Martin offered their apologies which were noted.

PL186 To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any matter on the agenda. (*The disclosure must include the nature of the interest. If you become aware, during the meeting, of an interest that has not been disclosed under this item you must immediately disclose it.*)

None

PL187 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4th April 2024.

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th April 2024 were noted and approved.

PL188 To note the Planning Action List.

Noted

PL189 To consider the following Planning Applications:

a) DM/24/0809: 59 Buttinghill Drive

Proposed Velux style loft conversion.

Comment: No objection

b) DM/24/0859: 1 Farr Close

Erection of a single storey rear extension.

Comment: No objection

c) DM/24/0953: 13 Brock End

Proposed double hip to gable loft conversion with rear dormer and installation of five roof lights to the front roof slope

Comment: Objection - The proposed double hip to gable loft conversion would mark a significant departure from the surrounding properties that were all of a similarly 'hipped' rose design, the dormer would look out of place on the current Catslide style roof that we suspect was included in the original build to minimize its impact on the street scene. A large dormer as proposed would have an impact on the conservation area which the property is located on the boundary of. Therefore the committee objected to this application on the basis of CNP1a, is designed to a high quality which responds to the heritage and distinctive character and reflects the identity of the local context of Cuckfield; CNP1c, follows guidance in the Conservation Area Appraisals and Management Plans,

the High Weald AONB Management Plan; and also CNP10a, the scale, height and form fit unobtrusively with the existing building and the character of the street scene.

The committee also agreed that if this application was to be permitted, it would set a precedent for future applications, both in this Close and on the Conservation area boundary.

PL190 To receive an update regarding the Public Open Space and Landscape Plans at the Bylanes/Buttinghill Drive development.

The amendments to the transfer document had been agreed and answers to some of the questions raised had been replied to.

PL191 To receive an update regarding the proposed Cuckstye development to the south of Cuckfield.

No updates were available.

PL192 To receive an update regarding the review of the Neighbourhood Plan.

A report of the review of the Neighbourhood Plan had been completed and will be shared with the working party to take action from.

PL193 To note any planning and/or appeal decisions received from Mid Sussex District Council.

a) DM/24/0309: Chantry Cottage South Street

Part conversion of existing garage (used as store) to provide ground floor wc/shower room with glass link to house.

CPC: No objection

MSDC: Permission granted

b) AP/24/0016: The Old Cottage Whitemans Green (DM/23/0008)

Retrospective Approval sought for roller shutter doors to provide secure parking to an existing Car Barn.

CPC: No comment - The committee decided to defer to the guidance of the heritage officer.

MSDC: Appeal Dismissed

c) DM/23/3213: Land At Cuckfield Recreation Ground High Street

Installation of equipment to deliver free public WiFi (including: 6m high column with mounted Wireless Access Point, Wireless Access Point attached to Pavilion roof, ducting and associated network infrastructure).

CPC: No objection

MSDC: Permission granted

PL194 To consider impacts on Neighbourhood Plan monitoring indicators and targets from MSDC decisions, and to update CPC monitoring data.

None

PL195 To note items arising after the preparation of this agenda which the Chairman agrees to take as urgent. Such matters will be for noting only or deferral to a future meeting only.

None